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This is a decision on the PETITION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.181 filed on April 2, 2010 to consider the CN 1196671 reference cited in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 26, 2007. The Examiner lined through the reference on the IDS in the Office Action dated June 13, 2008. The basis for non-consideration was that there was neither a translation nor statement of relevancy. Applicants did provide along with this IDS submission a Chinese Office Action that cited this reference and an English translation of the action.

The requirement for a concise explanation of relevance is limited to information that is not in the English language. The explanation required is limited to the relevance as understood by the individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information at the time the information is submitted to the Office. Where the information listed is not in the English language, but was cited in a search report or other action by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance can be satisfied by submitting an English-language version of the search report or action which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

A review of the record indicates that Applicants did provide an English language version of the office action that lists the reference CN 1196671. However a review of that office action does not indicate the degree of relevance that was found by the foreign office in relating to that reference.

**DECISION**

Accordingly, the petition is **DENIED**.

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